processing industries, technology upgradation and modernization of food processing units in the states including the state of Orissa through entrepreneurs.

Subsidy to MSCCGMF Ltd.

1558. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Maharashtra has applied to the Central Government for subsidy to the Maharashtra State Cooperative Cotton Growers Marketing Federation Ltd. for maintaining MSP of cotton during the 2004-05 and 2006-07 seasons;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the present status of the proposal and the steps taken to expedite a decision on the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government of Maharashtra requested the Ministry of Agriculture to appoint the Maharashtra State Cooperative Cotton Growers Marketing Federation Ltd. (MSCCGMFL) as a Central Agency or an agent of National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd. (NAFED) or Cotton Corporation of India for Procurement of Cotton in the State and provide subsidy to it.

(c) This Ministry reviewed the request of the State Government and could not accede to it.

Orissa Governments's demand to increase MSP for paddy

1559. MR. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Chief Minister of Orissa has written a letter to the centre for enhancement of MSP for paddy at par with wheat, since the input cost of paddy is higher while returns are marginal for farmers; and

(b) if so, the status of the proposal, *inter-alia* indicating the time-frame within which the above demand of the Orissa government would be met?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Chief Minister of Orissa had addressed to the Hon'ble Prime Minister seeking enhancement of the MSP of paddy for 2007-08 at par with the MSP of Wheat to Rs. 1000 per quintal. This has already been replied to by the Hon'ble Agriculture Minister. The MSP of paddy for the 2007-08 crop season has been fixed at Rs.645 per quintal for paddy (Common) and at Rs. 675 per quintal for paddy (Grade A). Further, an additional incentive bonus of Rs. 100 per quintal has also been given.

Payment of insurance claims of farmers

†1560. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:
DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether more crops and areas have been brought under the cover of the National Agriculture Insurance Scheme (NAIS);

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years including that of present session, year wise/State-wise;

(c) whether payment of insurance claims of farmers of the said period under the said scheme have been made;

(d) if so, the details thereof, year-wise/State-wise;

(e) whether gram panchayat has been declared as the lowest unit for agriculture insurance; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA): (a) and (b) National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS), at present, covers all food crops (cereals, millets, pulses), oilseeds and annual commercial/ horticultural crops. As per provision of the scheme, State Governments are free to notify any number of crops from the above broad categories of crops subject to the availability of past yield data for adequate number of years and capacity of the State to conduct requisite number of Crop Cutting Experiments (CCEs) for making assessment of yield. The State-wise/Year-wise details of crops and areas covered under the scheme in last three years, is given in Statement-I (*See* below).

(c) and (d) Year-wise/State-wise details of claims paid under NAIS during last three years are at Statement-II (*See* below).

(e) and (f) As per provisions of the scheme, the implemeting States/UTs are free to notify any unit area *viz.* Tehsil, Taluka, block, mandal, firka, **gram panchayat/village** keeping in view the capacity of the State to undertake requisite number of Crop Cutting Experiments (CCEs) and availability of adequate past yield data. At present, gram panchayat or equivalent unit of insurance is being notified for limited crops/seasons/areas by the State/U.T. Governments of Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, West Bengal, Pondicherry and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

Statement-I

Coverage of area crops under NAIS

State	2004-05		2005-06		2006-07	
	Area covered (Hec.)	Crop covered	Area covered (Hec.)	Crop covered	Area covered	Crop covered
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1. Andhra Pradesh	4091483.67	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Blackgram, Greengram, Redgram, Groundnut(I), Groundnut (UI), Castor, Sunflower, Cotton (I), Cotton (Un I), Sugarcane (P),	3800567.37	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Blackgram, Greengram, Redgram, Groundnut(I), Groundnut (UI), Castor, Sunflower, Cotton (I), Cotton (Un I), Sugarcane (P),	3648680.76	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Ragi, Blackgram, Greengram, Redgram, Groundnut(I) Groundnut (UI), Castor, Sunflower, Cotton (I), Cotton (Un I),

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Sugarcane®, Chilly (I), Chilly (UI), Banana, Redchilly, Onion,		Sugarcane ®, Chilly (I), Chilly (UI), Banana, Onion, Mango, Red Chilly,		Sugarcane (P), Sugarcane ®, Cilly (I), Chilly (UI) Banana, Soyabean, Redchilly, Onion,
2. Assam	14941.67	Ahu paddy, Sali paddy, Jute, Boro Paddy, Wheat, Rape & Mustard, Potato, Sugarcane,	16649.65	Ahu paddy, Sali paddy, Boro Paddy, Wheat, Rape & Mustard, Potato, Sugarcane,	13068.80	Ahu paddy, Sali paddy, Jute, Boro Paddy, Wheat, Rape & Mustard, Potato Sugarcane,
3. Bihar	445300.81	Paddy, Maize, Chilly, Wheat, Chana, Masoor, Maize, Arhar, Rape & Mustard, Potato, Onion, Sugarcane,	497437.21	Paddy, Maize, Chilly, Wheat, Chana, Masoor, Maize, Arhar, Rape & Mustard, Potato, Onion, Sugarcane,	839012.71	Paddy, Maize, Chilly, Wheat, Chana, Masoor, Maize, Arhar, Rape & Mustard, Potato, Onion, Sugarcane, Jute,
4. Chhattisgarh	1378192.93	Paddy (UI), Kodo Kutki, Paddy (I), Soyabean, Groundnut, Arhar, Jowar, Sesamum, Maize, Wheat (UI), Wheat (Irr), Bengal Gram, R & M Linseed Potato,	1244650.21	Paddy (UI), Kodo Kutki, Paddy (I), Soyabean, Groundnut, Arhar, Jowar, Sesamum, Maize, Wheat (UI), Wheat (Irr), Bengal Gram, R & M, Linseed, Potato,	1375145.37	Paddy (UI), Kodo Kutki, Paddy (I), Soyabean, Groundnut, Arhar, Jowar, Sesamum, Maize, Wheat (UI), Wheat (Irr), Bengal Gram, R & M, Linseed, Potato,
5. Goa	267.58	Paddy, Ragi, Groundnut, Sugarcane, Pulses	1425.39	Paddy, Ragi, Groundnut, Sugarcane, Pulses	606.79	Paddy, Ragi, Groundnut, Sugarcane, Pulses
6. Gujarat	3775134.47	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Gram, Blackgram, Greengram, Tur, Banana, G.Nut, Ragi, Castor, Moth, Sesamum, Cotton, Wheat (I), Wheat (UI), R&M,	2546638.16	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Blackgram, Greengram, Tur, Banana, G.Nut, Ragi, Castor, Moth, Sesamum, Cotton, Wheat (I), Wheat (UI), R&M, Gram, Potato,	1896094.18	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Blackgram, Greengram, Tur, Banana, G.Nut, Ragi, Castor, Moth, Sesamum, Cotton, Wheat (I), Wheat (UI), R&M, Gram, Potato,

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Gram, Potato, S.G.Nut, S. Bajra, Potato		S.G.Nut, S. Bajra, Potato Cumin, Isabgol, Garlic, Fennel, Onion		S.G.Nut, S. Bajra, Potato, Cumin, Isabgol, Garlic, Onion
7. Haryana	239812.56	Bajra, Maize, Cotton, Gram, Mustard,	123168.38	Bajra, Maize, Cotton, Arhar, Gram, Mustard,	71262.78	Bajra, Maize, Cotton, Arhar, Gram, Mustard,
8. Himachal Pradesh	15379.00	Paddy, Maize, Potato, Wheat Barley	7883.76	Paddy, Maize, Potato, Wheat Barley	20250.44	Paddy, Maize, Potato, Wheat Barley
9. J&K	5809.62	Paddy, Maize, Wheat (I), Wheat (UI), Mustard	5563.35	Paddy, Maize, Wheat (I), Wheat (UI), Mustard	7588.61	Paddy, Maize, Wheat (I), Wheat (UI), Mustard
10. Jharkhand	78891.42	Paddy, Maize, Wheat, Rape & Mustard, Bengal Gram, Arhar	432311.22	Paddy, Maize, Potato, Wheat, Rape & Mustard, Bengal Gram,	517036.32	Paddy, Maize, Potato, Wheat, Rape & Mustard, Bengal Gram, Potato
11. Karnataka	1381834.95	Paddy (I), Paddy (RF), Jowar (I), Maize (RF), Rage (I), Ragi (RF), Navane (RF), Save (RF), Tur (I), Tur (RF), Blackgram, Greengram (RF), Horsegram, Groundnut (I), Groundnut (RF), Sunflower (I), Sunflower (RF), Soyabean (I), Soyabean (RF), Sesamum (RF), Castor (RF), Potato (I), Potato (RF), Onion (I), Onion	1678536.57	Paddy (I), Paddy (RF), Jowar (I), Maize (RF), Ragi (I), Ragi (RF), Navane Save, Tur (I), Tur (RF), Blackgram, Greengram (RF), Horsegram, Groundnut (I), Groundnut Sunflower Sunflower (I) Sunflower (RF), Soyabean (I), Soyabean (RF), Sesamum (RF), Castor (RF), Banana, Potato Tapioca), Cotton (I), Cotton (UI),	2692781.22	Paddy (I), Paddy (RF), Jowar (I), Maize (RF), Ragi (I), Ragi (RF), Navane (RF), Save (RF), Tur (I), Tur (RF), Blackgram, Greengram (RF), Horsegram, Groundnut (I), Groundnut (RF) Sunflower (I), Sunflower (RF), Soyabean (I), Soyabean (RF), Sesamum (RF), Castor (RF), Potato (I), Potato (RF), Onion (I), Onion

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		(RF), Cotton (I), Cotton (RF), Chilly (I), Chilly (RF), Wheat (I), Wheat (RF), Bengal Gram, (I) Bengal Gram (RF), Safflower (RF), Safflower (I), Linseed,		Wheat (I), Wheat (RF), Bengal Gram, (I) Bengal Gram (RF), Safflower (RF), Safflower (I), Linseed,		(RF), Cotton (I), Cotton (RF), Chilly, (I), Chilly (RF), Paddy (I), Wheat (I), Wheat (RF), Bengal Gram, (I) Bengal Gram (RF), Safflower (RF), Safflower (I), Linseed
12. Kerala	27469.20	Paddy, Tapioca, Pine apple, Turmeric, Ginger, Banana,	27664.54	Paddy, Tapioca, Pine apple, Turmeric, Ginger, Banana,	24590.84	Paddy, Tapioca, Pine apple, Turmeric, Ginger, Banana,
13. Madhya Pradesh	6648796.70	Paddy (I), Paddy (UN), Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Kodo Kutuki, Tur, G.Nut, Sesamum, Soyabean, Cotton, Banana, Wheat (I), Wheat (UN), Bengal gram, R & M, Potato, Onion,	6127779.95	Paddy (I), Paddy (UI), Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Kodo Kutuki, Tur, G.Nut, Sesamum, Soyabean, Linseed, Banana, Wheat (I), Wheat (UN), Bengal gram, R&M, Potato, Onion,	4548265 74	Paddy (I), Paddy (UN), Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Kodo Kutuki, Tur, G.Nut, Sesamum, Soyabean, Cotton, Banana, Wheat (I), Wheat (UN), Bengal gram, R&M, Potato Onion,
14. Maharashtra	2031812.91	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Ragi, G.Nut, Sunflower, Soyabean, Sesamum, Niger, Tur, Urd, Moong, Cotton, Onion, Wheat, (I), Wheat (UN), Jowar (I), Jowar (UN), Bengal Gram, Safflower,	2125273.90	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Ragi, G.Nut, Sunflower, Soyabean, Sesamum, Niger, Tur, Urd, Moong, Cotton, Sugar Cane, Wheat (I), Wheat (UN), Jowar (I), Jowar (UN), Bengal Gram, Safflower,	1314168.56	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Ragi, G.Nut, Sunflower, Soyabean, Sesamum, Niger, Tur, Urd, Moong, Cotton, Onion, Sugar-Cane, Wheat (I), Wheat (UN), Jowar (I), Jowar (UN), Bengal Gram,

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		Sunflower,		Sunflower, Onion,		Safflower, Sunflower, Onion,
15. Meghalaya	2667.45	Ahu Paddy, Sali Paddy, Boro Paddy, Ginger, Potato, R&M	1876.03	Ahu Paddy, Sali Paddy, Boro Paddy, Ginger, Potato, R&M	4092.18	Ahu Paddy, Sali Paddy, Boro Paddy, Ginger, Potato, R&M,
16. Orissa	1141239.94	Paddy, Maize, G.Nut, Red Gram, Niger, Cotton, Mustard, Potato, Sugarcane,	1139634.99	Paddy, Maize, G.Nut, Red Gram, Niger, Cotton, Mustard, Potato, Sugarcane,	1089845.97	Paddy, Maize, Gnut, Red Gram, Niger, Cotton, Mustard, Potato, Sugarcane,
17. Rajasthan	4850326.50	Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Moong, Moth, Urd, Cowpea, Arhar, Guar, Wheat, Barley, Gram, Mustard, Taramira, Arhar, Guar, Wheat, Barley, Gram, Mustard, Taramira, Masoor, Coriander, Cumin, Isabgol, Cotton, Castor, Ajwain, Soyabean,	5542828.50	Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Moong, Moth, Urd, Cowpea, Arhar, Til, Guar, Wheat, Barley, Gram, Mustard, Taramira, Arhar, Til, Guar, Wheat, Barley, Gram, Mustard, Taramira, Masoor, Coriander, Cumin, Methi, Isabgol, Cotton, Sesamum, Soyabean, Castor, Sounf,	5702717.89	Paddy, Jowar, Bajra, Maize, Moong, Moth, Urd, G.Nut, Cowpea, Soyabean, Arhar, Til, Castor, Guar, Wheat, Barley, Cowpea, Soyabean, Arhar, Til, Castor, Guar, Wheat, Barley, Gram, Mustard, Taramira, Masoor, Coriander, Cumin, Methi, Isabgol, Sounf,
18. Sikkim	84.00	Maize, Aman Paddy, Ginger, Potato, Barley, Urd, Mustard, Wheat, Soyabean, Barley, Finger Millet,	68.67	Maize, Aman Paddy, Ginger, Potato, Barley, Urd, Mustard, Wheat, Finger Millet,	20.43	Soyabean, Finger Millet, Maize, Aman Paddy, Ginger, Potato, Barley, Urd, Mustard, Wheat
19. Tamil Nadu	247092.00	Paddy, Ragi (UI), Ragi (I), Maize (RF), G. nut	212537.93	Paddy, Ragi (UI), Ragi (I), Maize (RF), G. nut	440005.64	Paddy, Ragi (UI), Ragi (I), Maize (RF), G. nut

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
		(I), Ginger, Cotton (UI), Cotton, (Irr), Cotton (Rice Fellow), Tapi oca, Potato, Onion, Turmeric, Banana, Chilly, Gingelly, Horsegram, Blackgram, Sugarcane, Sesamum, Bajra (I), Jowar (I),		(I), Ginger, Cotton (UI), Cotton, (Irr), Cotton (Rice Fellow), Tapi oca, Potato, Onion, Turmeric, Banana, Chilly, Gingelly, Horsegram B, Blackgram, Sugarcane, Sesamum, Bajra (I), Jowar (I),		(I), Cotton (UI), Cotton (Irr), Cotton (Rice Fellow), Tapi oca, Potato, Onion, Turmeric, Banana, Chilly, Ginger, Horsegram, B Blackgram, Sugarcane, Sesamum, Bajra (I), Jowar (I),
20. Uttar Pradesh	2828186.03	Paddy, Maize Urd, Gnut, Soyabean, Sugarcane, Arhar, Jowar, Bajra, Til Wheat, Gram, Peas, Mustard, Potato, Masoor,	1715722.06	Paddy, Maize Urd, Gnut, Soyabean, Sugarcane, Arhar, Jowar, Bajra, Til Wheat, Gram, Peas, Mustard, Potato, Masoor,	2585076.36	Paddy, Maize Urd, Gnut, Soyabean, Sugarcane, Arhar, Jowar, Bajra, Til Wheat, Gram, Peas, Mustard, Potato, Masoor
21. West Bengal	401345.16	Aman Paddy, Aus Boro Paddy, Wheat, R&M, Potato,	478435.25	Aman Paddy, Aus Boro Paddy, Wheat, R&M, Potato,	486718.53	Aman Paddy, Aus Boro Paddy, Maize, Wheat, R&M, Potato,
22. Tripura	970.37	Aman Paddy, Aus Paddy, Boro Paddy, Potato	1771.81	Aman Paddy, Aus Paddy, Boro Paddy, Potato,	1735.47	Aman Paddy, Aus Paddy, Boro Paddy, Potato,
23. Uttaran-chal	3490.65	Paddy, Ragi,	14096.02	Paddy, Ragi, Wheat,	23220.99	Paddy, Ragi, Wheat, Potato,
24. A&N Islands	288.00	Paddy	210.00	Paddy	106.00	Paddy
25. Puducherry	5820.00	Paddy I, II, III,	6463.00	Paddy I, II, III,	3719.53	Paddy I, II, III, Cotton, Sugarcane, Groundnut.
TOTAL:	29616637.59		27749193 92		27305812.11	

Statement-II

NAIS-Claims paid : 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl. No.	State	Season 2004-05			Season 2005-06			Season 2006-07		
		Kharif 2004	Rabi 2004-05	Total 2004-05	Kharif 2005	Rabi 2005-06	Total 2005-06	Kharif 2006	Rabi 2006-07	Total 2006-07
1.	Andhra Pradesh	8583.95	712.90	9296.85	49335.01	357.96	49692.97	52841.91	—	52841.91
2.	Assam	59.37	9.57	68.94	1.31	—	1.31	—	—	0.00
3.	Bihar	21186.21	2802.50	23988.71	10088.61	5303.94	15392.55	4018.74	—	4018.74
4.	Chhattisgarh	337.78	166.86	504.64	5.86	6.35	12.21	461.04	0.01	461.05
5.	Goa	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.00	—	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6.	Gujarat	28906.21	0.00	28906.21	810.67	2.37	813.04	48354.70	52.73	48407.43
7.	Haryana	133.35	0.00	133.35	66.23	1527.90	1594.13	2.83	29.31	32.14
8.	Himachal Pradesh	2.55	0.00	2.55	40.07	64.35	104.42	—	0.00	0.00
9.	Jharkhand	1006.38	54.17	1060.55	10471.68	266.77	10738.45	493.64	—	493.64
10.	Karnataka	2648.17	402.23	3050.40	4387.70	148.89	4536.59	15028.11	—	15028.11
11.	Kerala	18.51	20.66	39.17	134.09	15.23	149.32	33.80	7.38	41.18
12.	Madhya Pradesh	5738.34	231.06	5969.40	240.61	1760.27	2000.88	3552.52	—	3552.52
13.	Maharashtra	12607.52	398.24	13005.76	2896.75	354.34	3251.09	14067.02	0.59	14067.61
14.	Meghalaya	1.43	0.03	1.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.07	0.00	0.07
15.	Orissa	1468.85	35.94	1504.79	373.83	220.79	594.62	2747.72	46.02	2793.73
16.	Rajasthan	13304.17	1029.62	14333.79	21614.45	8442.58	30057.03	18037.52	5264.73	23302.24

17.	Sikkim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
18.	Tamil Nadu	89.16	3765.07	3854.23	58.98	4768.36	4827.34	—	555.80	555.80
19.	Tripura	1.27	2.58	3.85	2.06	34.10	36.16	0.04	0.00	0.04
20.	Uttar Pradesh	7583.78	4616.99	12200.77	2101.06	5825.60	7926.66	5394.69	5847.82	11242.52
21.	Uttarakhand	1.87	0.00	1.87	0.29	235.23	235.52	1.84	15.45	17.29
22.	West Bengal	82.71	1779.02	1861.73	3355.13	4358.32	7713.45	828.87	11998.65	12827.52
23.	A&N Islands	0.00	0.00	0.00	—	—	0.00	—	—	0.00
24.	Puducherry	3.60	31.15	34.75	1.48	6.45	7.93	—	—	0.00
25.	Jammu & Kashmir	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.56	—	8.56	—	0.00	0.00
	TOTAL:	103765.19	16058.60	119823.78	105994.42	33699.82	139694.24	165865.05	23818.48	189683.53